

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Maurer.

DELEGATE MAURER: I have a question for Delegate Lord, please.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord, do you respond to a question?

DELEGATE LORD: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Maurer.

DELEGATE MAURER: I think it is important that we perhaps check the record. Is it not true that the community colleges are governed by boards of trustees for each college in each community?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord.

DELEGATE LORD: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Maurer.

DELEGATE MAURER: Therefore, your reference to a governing board then was a reference to a separate state board in community colleges in lieu of the coordinating services offered by a state board of education?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord.

DELEGATE LORD: That is correct. Any statement to the contrary I would like to correct.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Mr. Chairman, on a little different subject, to Delegate Lord if he will yield.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord, do you yield to a question?

DELEGATE LORD: Certainly.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Delegate Lord, of course you and I both know but perhaps some of the delegates have not picked it up at this point precisely, that what we have here is a significant omission from the majority report, namely, the right of fiscal self management given to the University of Maryland and to the other institutions of higher learning, the community colleges. It is true, is it not, that the University of Maryland is the only institution in the State which has this right at the present time?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord.

DELEGATE LORD: That is correct.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Is the omission of this language in the minority report to be interpreted as in any way condemning the

present statutory right of self management that the university has or in any way critical of it?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord.

DELEGATE LORD: Absolutely not. I think it is the opinion of the Committee that absolute autonomy under the Constitution has worked well and it is certainly not the intention of the Committee to detract from it or alter it in any way.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Marion.

DELEGATE MARION: I have a question to either Delegate Wheatley or Delegate Lord.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Wheatley, do you respond to a question?

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Marion.

DELEGATE MARION: In line 9, the words "by law" are used. They are used again in line 16, and in line 19 General Assembly is mentioned. Is "by law" in line 9 meant to mean the General Assembly by law or since you include community colleges, could the words "by law" be considered as covering both an action of the General Assembly and an action of a county through its governing body?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Wheatley.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: I would say the "by law" refers to the General Assembly in that they would be primarily responsible for the institutions enumerated and that any effect it would have on community colleges would be by an act of the General Assembly rather than by charter.

However, if you can think of any problems that can be related there, it was not meant to be deleterious to any existing community colleges but rather complimentary.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Marion.

DELEGATE MARION: So in both places where by law is used it would mean by law of the General Assembly?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Wheatley.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: This was the basic intent, yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Penniman.

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: I do not mean to prolong the discussion or go over the territory too often, but I still have a question about the community colleges if I